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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's  
Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, on 13 March 1952

Director of Central Intelligence Agency  
General Walter Bedell Smith  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant, Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General A. R. Bolling, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2  
Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral R. F. Stout, acting for Director of Naval  
Intelligence, Department of the Navy  
Major General John A. Samford, Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Dr. Malcolm C. Henderson, acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Atomic Energy Commission  
Brigadier General Richard C. Partridge, Deputy Director for  
Intelligence, The Joint Staff  
Mr. Victor P. Keay, acting for Assistant to the Director,  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

ALSO PRESENT

\*Mr. Frank G. Wisner, Central Intelligence Agency  
Mr. Loftus E. Becker, Central Intelligence Agency  
\*Dr. Sherman Kent, Central Intelligence Agency  
\*Mr. Robert Amory, Jr., Central Intelligence Agency  
\*Mr. Lyman Kirkpatrick, Central Intelligence Agency  
[redacted] Central Intelligence Agency  
[redacted] Ret., Central Intelligence Agency  
[redacted] Central Intelligence Agency  
\*Mr. Richard Helms, Central Intelligence Agency  
Mr. William C. Trueheart, Department of State  
Mr. P. H. Trezise, Department of State  
Brigadier General John Weckerling, Department of the Army  
Colonel O. B. Sykes, Department of the Army  
Lieut. Colonel U. G. Carlan, Department of the Army  
Lieut. Colonel George Wilson, Department of the Army  
Mr. Roy S. Tod, Department of the Army  
Mr. R. W. Guenther, Department of the Army  
Captain Kenneth C. Hurd, USN, Department of the Navy  
Commander D. F. Harrington, Jr., USN, Department of the Navy  
Colonel Edward H. Porter, Department of the Air Force  
\*Colonel Charles F. Gillis, Department of the Air Force  
Colonel J. C. Marchant, Department of the Air Force  
Colonel S. M. Lansing, The Joint Staff

James Q. Reber  
Secretary

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Approval of Minutes

1. Action: The minutes of the last meeting, 6 March 1952 (IAC-M-63) were approved. Add Dr. Henderson to those present.

Prospects for the Establishment  
of an Inclusive Middle East  
Command Organization (SE-23)

2. Action: Approved as amended.

Proposed Estimates on Soviet  
Intentions and War Potential  
(IAC-D-44)

3. Action: Agreed that (a) the estimates proposed in this paper should be prepared; (b) NIE-63 and NIE-64, dealing with the capabilities and courses of action of the USSR respectively through mid-1953, would be published as one estimate, with two parts if necessary, this being a more practical and efficient use of research; (c) the scope of NIE-65 should be extended to 1957 in order to be more useful to policy planning officials.

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Progress Report (IAC-PR-22)

6. The report was noted without suggestion for change.

Coordination in Berlin

7. Action: It was agreed that there should be established a coordinator of intelligence activities in Berlin, it being understood that the function of this officer was to pull together the chiefs of the various intelligence organizations for their mutual benefit in avoiding duplication of effort detrimental to each other and our objectives. Mr. Kirkpatrick was requested to draft in collaboration with the other interested agencies a plan for coordination, taking into account the discussion of the meeting, for submission to the IAC at the next meeting.

8. Discussion: General Bolling presented a structural chart showing the various intelligence organizations located in Berlin and a map which showed the possible dangers of duplication from uncoordinated efforts in this area. His plea was that some coordinating device be established.

agencies. He noted the fact that in the field of clandestine collection the DCI does not have authority to tell other agencies what to do. He stated, however, that by virtue of the statute and NSCID 5, it would be proper for him to request other agencies to cease and desist what they are doing in the field of clandestine activities.

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10. General Samford concurred in General Smith's proposal. He felt certain that if the coordination attempted here were carried on in the right spirit there would be positive rather than negative results. He emphasized that too precise an instruction to the various agencies in Berlin would tend to make them feel that there was no freedom for independent movement.

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